

FACE THE STATE – 3RD QUARTER 2011
JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

7/3 KPAX Host: Angela Marshal
 Guest: Peggy Grimes Executive Director MT Food Bank Network
 Brent Weisgram Chief Operations Officer MT Food Bank Network

We will be talking in-depth about the assistance they are offering residents of flood-ravaged towns and how other state are helping their cause. Then, we will be discussing the future of the Montana Food Bank Network. How was the Food Bank affected by this last legislative session? What is the future of the Food Bank Network until the next legislative session?

7/10 KRTV Host: Marnee Banks
 Guest: Bob Morgan

The Western Rendezvous of Art is one of the most notable shows and sales in the west. The Montana Historical Society began the show in 1972. When the Rendezvous began, Helena based artist Bob Morgan came up with a creative way to turn the show into more than a fundraiser. He invented the “Quick Draw” where an artist is given a short amount of time to create a masterpiece. Onlookers are encouraged to open their wallets and support the Montana Historical Society.

7/17 KBZK Host: Donna Kelly
 Guest: Amy Rue MT Meth Project Exec. Director
 John Stevens Cascade County Undersheriff

The guests discussed the history and effectiveness of the Montana Meth Project. We showed and discussed some of the commercials produced by the project with comments about how Montana youth helped to advise and guide the writing and production of the commercials. The guests also talked about how the commercials, outreach to children younger than age 12, strict law enforcement measures, counseling and treatment were used in tandem to fight the problem and bring Montana from 5th in the nation for meth users to 39th in just 2 years.

7/24 KTVQ Host: Jay Kohn
 Guests: Tom Livers, Deputy Director, Mt Department of
 Environmental Quality
 Gary Hammond, Regional Supervisor, Mt Fish Wildlife & Parks
 Bill Kennedy, Yellowstone County Commissioner

Today, marked 3 weeks since the Silvertip Pipeline ruptured, dumping more than 40-thousand gallons of crude oil into the Yellowstone River near Laurel. Today’s program focused on the spill, the response to the emergency, and specifics of the clean up effort.

Tom Livers spoke about the environmental challenges of the spill, and how the clean up effort is being coordinated.

Gary Hammond talked about the impact on wildlife, and the entire Yellowstone River corridor.

Bill Kennedy talked about the long term impact of the spill, and what challenges that poses to local officials and residents.

We also encouraged people with questions to contact the Governor's Oil Spill hotline and website that is set up specifically to handle citizen complaints and issues.

7/31 KBZK Host:
Guest: Jeff Bridges

Jeff Bridges is holding a fundraising concert with his band for the Livingston Food Pantry as part of the No Child Hungry program that he promotes nationally. The concert has long been sold out, but he wanted to talk about child hunger in Montana so we taped the show as a two camera shoot in Livingston and included a walk and talk tour of the food pantry there with the local pantry director. Bridges has a home in Paradise Valley.

8/7 KRTV

8/14 KPAX Host: Angela Marshal
Guest: Eric Kettering Missoula's Vet Center Team Leader
Brenda Desmond District Court Standing Master

In June, Missoula launched a treatment court for war veterans fighting addictions and mental health issues. Now, other cities across the state are following suit. Missoula's Vet Center Team Leader, Eric Kettering, joins the News Station's Angela Marshall to talk in-depth about the mental health issues Montana's returning war vets face. And, District Court Standing Master Brenda Desmond outlines the mission of Missoula's Mental Health Treatment Court.

8/21 KTVQ Host: Drew Trafton
Guest: Alan Simpson former US Senator from WY
Don Loren Hardy Former Chief of Staff for Simpson

Drew Trafton sits down with former Wyoming Senator Alan Simpson and his former Chief of Staff Don Loren Hardy, author of the new biography on Simpson's life entitled Shooting From the Lip: The Life of Senator Alan Simpson, to discuss the project and various anecdotes and life lessons which can be found in the biography.

8/28 Children's programming
9/4 Children's programming
9/11 Children's programming
9/18 Children's programming

9/25 KPAX

Host: Angela Marshal

Guests: Colleen Tone Red Cross Statewide Disaster Director

September 2011 commemorates 10 years since our country's greatest tragedy. This month also marks American Red Cross Disaster Preparedness Month, a time when we should remember that preparedness is the key to survival and recovery in the face of disaster. During this edition of Face the State, Angela Marshall talks in-depth to Montana Red Cross volunteer, who offered mental health care to victims of 9-11. We also hear from the Montana Red Cross Statewide Disaster Director, Colleen Tone, who reveals tips on preparing your family for a catastrophic event.